Making a lasting impact on Military and Veteran Families for over 92 years.

2016-2017 Annual Report
The VFW National Home for Children's mission is to provide children, youths, and families of veterans, active-duty military, and members of the VFW and its Auxiliary opportunities for growth and development in a nurturing community, and by doing so, serves as a living memorial to all veterans.
Dear Friends,

For over 92 years the VFW National Home for Children has provided a healing environment for struggling veteran families. Our beautiful community offers a wonderful place for children to grow and families to rebuild.

Either by living on our campus or by receiving help through our Military and Veteran Family Helpline, 800.313.4200, the National Home uses many resources to assist veterans and their families, leading them towards the path to stability and strength.

Your help and contributions make this possible. You have all given in a multitude of ways. Whether you sent in a donation, purchased a tribute brick, or volunteered your time and services, your generosity has touched the lives of so many veteran families in need, both on our campus and throughout the country.

In gratitude,

Patrice Green
Executive Director
Robyn’s personality exudes energy and vibrancy. She’s warm, engaging and up-beat, but a few years ago her children sensed something wasn’t quite right with their mom. Robyn, a single parent, had lost her job as a legal secretary when her boss retired. Even when she was working she was having a hard time making ends meet. Unemployment brought her struggle to a whole new level of desperation.

Robyn’s grandfather, Robert Alexander, was a World War II decorated paratrooper and medic in the Philippine theatre. The bravery that earned him a purple heart, the bronze star and several other medals gave Robyn and her three children a new chance at life.

Because of his VFW membership, Robyn learned she qualified to live at the VFW National Home for Children, a place designed specifically to aid active duty military and veteran families as well as their descendants in times of need.

Because of the VFW National Home for Children, Robyn was ready to venture back out on her own with a secure and stable job, confident and ready.

“The VFW National Home, every time I say that I smile because of what they’ve given me and my children...a sense of community, a sense of relief.” She says. “It has built my self-confidence to go back out in to the world.”

See Robyn’s story and more. Visit vfwnationalhome.org/stories
Being a veteran, coming from a long line of veterans and having a son and daughter-in-law serving in the military currently, the VFW National Home for Children means everything to me. I see forgotten and lost veterans every day in my travels. Knowing that there is an organization like this puts a little faith back into a world that likes to take instead of give.

After seeing the campus, talking with staff and residents, watching the interactions between staff and residents, and watching how the community comes together to help this great cause, I knew it was a nonprofit organization my company could get behind.

-Steven Fitch, President of Greener Energy Company
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OUR PROGRAM

The VFW National Home for Children is grateful for the generous friends and supporters who have reached out to help military and veteran families. The Home was founded in 1925 as a place where the families left behind by war – mothers and children, brothers and sisters – could remain together, keeping the family circle intact even when their serviceman didn't come home. Today's families face different challenges – reintegration, post-traumatic stress, high unemployment and rehabilitation from battlefield injuries, among others – and the National Home has evolved to meet those changing needs.

Families find a healing calm in our tranquil, rural, small-town community. Our neighborhood is essentially a small village with its own gymnasium, hiking trails, fishing pond, playgrounds, sports fields, and green spaces.

Families who need a fresh start can live at the National Home for up to four years and benefit from numerous community supportive services, including professional case management services, on-site licensed child care, life skills training, tutoring and other educational services, as well as recreational and community service opportunities.

Additionally, many families benefit from our services throughout the country. In the 2016-2017 year alone, hundreds of families were helped by our Military & Veteran Family Helpline 800-313-4200.

This free service offers information, creates connections and gives hope to struggling military and veteran families.

Families can also learn more about our program and contact us at:

vfwnationalhome.org/help.
Summary of 2016-2017 Audited Financial Statements

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2016-2017 Expense Ratios

- Program Expenses: 70%
- Administration: 16%
- Fundraising Expenses: 14%

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